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9	Kazepet-Vijayawada Sec.—Proposed construction of ROB in lieu of LC No. 62T at Km. 376/02-04 between Kazipet and Warangal stations.	7.14	12.66
10	Vijayawada-Vishakapatnam Sec.—Proposed construction of ROB in lieu of LC No. 347 at Km. 486/27-29 between Vatluru and Eluru stations.	6.95	15.49
11	ROB at Mahabobabad at LC No. 81 in Kazipet-Vijayawada Sec.	5.83	12.24
12	ROB in lieu of LC No. 77 & 78 at K. Samudram in Kazepet-Vijayawada Sec.	5.56	11.70
13	Arakkonam-Reningunta Section: Provision of ROB in lieu of LC No.58 at Km.111/36112 at Puttur Station.	7.34	7.35

Gauge conversion

540. SHRI K.E. ISMAIL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that about 13,000 kilometres of the railway network still remains in metre and narrow gauges though the "project unigauge" was started years back;

(b) if so, the details of the lines still remaining to be converted to broad gauge in different railway zones; and

(c) the steps being taken to complete the conversion project on a priority basis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of MG/NG lines in different railway zones as on 1.4.2006 is and under:

Railway	MG/NG (in Kms)
Central	572
Eastern	132
Northern	272
North Eastern	1724

Railway	MG/NG (in Kms)
Northeast Frontier	1699
Southern	1930
South Central	829
South Eastern	37
Western	2648
East Central	722
East Coast	91
North Central	335
North Western	2510
South East Central	758
South Western	398
West Central	0

About1225 kms of conversion is likely to be completed during 2006-07.

(c) The funding have been enhanced through internal generation of resources to expedite completion.

Transportation of coal

†541. SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the companies with which his Ministry has entered into an agreement for transportation of coal and the main conditions of the agreements entered into;

(b) whether it is a fact that the NTPC plants are facing the crises of coal shortages due to lack of adequate coal transportation for these plants;

(c) whether any request has been received in this regard from the Ministry of Power; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.